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1. Troitsk, 80 km. south of Chelyabinsk, has been developed as an industrial town since 1944 by the erection of a chemical factory and an armament factory. Fifteen hundred workers are employed and three shifts are worked day and night. The armament factory produces, among other things, the following weapons:
 - a. 78 mm Dorsig gun, similar to the Wehrmacht double-role 88 mm for anti-aircraft and ground use.
 - b. 37 mm anti-aircraft gun, mounted on an SP chassis, with 4 barrels, which can be fired singly, two at a time, or all four at once.
 - c. 25 mm anti-aircraft gun, normal single barrel.
 - d. machine-guns, similar in appearance to Wehrmacht MG-42; the barrel does not require changing.
 - e. machine-pistols.
2. a. A modern brickbuilt rubber goods factory is situated on the outskirts of Sverdlovsk. In 1947 this factory employed 2,000 - 3,000 workers, mostly civilian internees of Volga-German origin.
- b. The factory produces rubber goods of all sorts, particularly tires and raincoats. Three eight-hour shifts are worked, and the machinery is gradually being brought up to date although many old machines are still in use. All machinery is electrically driven; the current is supplied from a power station in the town, which is only lightly guarded by civilian guards.

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